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May – August 2012

2012 TGIF Season Features Variety

The 27th season of TGIF Jazz in the Parks offers something for everyone this summer. We're talking "Variety" – with a capital V. The music ranges from Big Band Swing to Chicago Blues to Afro-pop, with Reggae, Latin, and New Orleans R & B on the schedule as well. The bands come from locales both near (San Diego, LA, Fresno) and far (San Francisco and Sierra Leone, West Africa). And finally, on the schedule are three long-time audience favorites, three great groups returning from 2011, and three brand new bands. One thing stays the same though:

you'll want to wear your dancing shoes to every concert this summer!

And as always, we have the Friends of the Arts' Opportunity Drawings, Art At Jazz, free shuttle service at Poinsettia (note the new location, detailed on page 8) and Calavera Hills, the Souvenir Program... it all adds up to the best FREE community music series in the region. So come out and join the fun.

The 2012 TGIF concerts begin on June 29 and continue through August 24.

TGIF Jazz in the Parks is organized by the Cultural Arts Office and presented by the City of Carlsbad. This 27th season has received additional support from the Carlsbad Friends of the Arts and the Festival Foundation. Major support for the Opportunity Drawings, which are organized and conducted by the Friends of the Arts, comes from Alaska Airlines and Pueblo Bonito Oceanfront Resorts & Spas Mexico. Generous in-kind support for the TGIF Souvenir Program has been provided by Modern Postcard.



June 29 • Mofo Party Band



July 13 • Café R&B



July 6 • Big Time Operator

Get ready to **dance!**

The Music Starts June 29...

STAGECOACH PARK

3420 Camino de los Coches, 92009

June 29

Mofo Party Band

Chicago Blues

Bill and John Clifton play a gutsy central California version of guitar-whipped, harmonica-fueled Chicago Blues. They named their band for the "more fun" they have on stage – certainly more fun than drilling oil wells (their previous careers)! Their 2011 debut at TGIF was one big party – so we thought an encore performance was just the way to start off a great new season of music.

July 6

Big Time Operator

Big Band Swing

San Diego's most acclaimed big band holds the record for TGIF appearances at 12. Carlsbad can't get enough of Mike's drum solos, Gunnar's bass licks, Warren's smooth vocals and the county's hottest horn section. The swing dancers start at six and don't stop until the sun sets.

July 13

Café R&B

Soul & Blues

Our first new group of 2012, this barnstorming sextet from LA has earned serious r-e-s-p-e-c-t over two decades. Lead singer Roach has a voice that goes from cotton candy to jalapeno in two notes, with husband Byl Carruthers providing solid backing on guitar. They're so strong, they need two keyboardists to hold them on the stage. Expect to be shaken, rattled and rolled!

POINSETTIA PARK

6600 Hidden Valley Road, 92011

New shuttle parking site: North Coast Calvary Chapel, 1330 Poinsettia Lane.

See page 8 for more details.

July 20

Steve Lucky & The Rhumba Bums

featuring Carmen Getit

Jumpin' Jive & Swing

From their first TGIF appearance in 2005, Steve, Carmen and the guys became instant crowd favorites. His boogie woogie piano and her swingin' guitar are backed by some really crazy sax action. This group brings back the days of saddle shoes and porkpie hats, so brush up on your jitterbug!

July 27

B-Side Players

World & Reggae

They all met in an African drumming class at Southwestern Community College in Chula Vista and went on to national recognition as a leading band of genre-bending power. After a triumphant 2011 TGIF debut, the Players bring back their original brand of global funk flavored with reggae, son, afro-beat, acid jazz, hip-hop and anything else that catches their restless musical intelligence.

August 3

Madame LeRoux & Krewe

plus Euphoria Brass Band

New Orleans R&B

Powerhouse vocalist Michele Lundeen loves playing her alter-ego, the Queen of New Orleans, with her hot Bourbon Street-style band, the Krewe. And we loved the idea of pairing up this great blues & zydeco dance group with the Euphoria Brass Band, a traditional marching street band right out of French Quarter history. So join us for Mardi Gras in August, and don't forget your beads!

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CALAVERA HILLS PARK

2997 Glasgow Drive, 92008

August 10

Sierra Leone's Refugee All-Stars

Afro-Pop & World

Forged during war by people struggling for survival in rudimentary border camps, this inspiring group of musicians has become known worldwide for their uplifting songs of hope and joy. When the Refugee All-Stars began performing for their camp-mates, they found surprising international attention and a career as the sound of the dispossessed-yet-optimistic people of the African continent.

August 17

Ruby & The Red Hots

Jazz & Blues

TGIF audiences love this sultry North County singer, and she returns the feeling. Statuesque Ruby is equally at home with a smooth-as-silk ballad or a blazing-blues rocker, while The Red Hots back her up with horns that growl and purr, propulsive drumbeats and gripping guitar play. You'll want to be there when Carlsbad's favorite lady takes the stage.

August 24

Johnny Polanco Orchestra

Salsa and Latin Jazz

Polanco and his players were six notes into last summer's concert when the TGIF staff started telling each other, "These guys are *terrific!*" Johnny's Dominican/Puerto Rican roots guide this incredible ensemble, enthusiastically followed by salsa dancers across the nation. The perfect way to close out the 2012 series is a night of great music and great dancing, with the conga line led by Johnny himself.

Information about Art At Jazz

can be found on page 5.

More information about driving directions, parking, the new shuttle bus location for Poinsettia Park, concert guidelines, what to bring and what not to bring, volunteer opportunities, and donating to the Opportunity Drawings can be found at www.carlsbadca.gov/arts

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Concerts are 6 to 8 p. m.



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Aug 17 • Ruby & The Red Hots



Aug 24 • Johnny Polanco Orchestra

Please remember: The use of bikes, skateboards, skates and roller blades is not allowed in the parks during concerts. Smoking, pets, and personal barbeque grills are not allowed in city parks by municipal ordinance.

Exhibitions

This Summer in the Cannon

Joe Brubaker: *The Exquisite Garden* Continues through June 24

For six days in March, Bay area artist Joe Brubaker and his accompanying team collaborated with local artists and art students to create a unique installation entitled *The Exquisite Garden*. This team of “gardeners” took a huge collection of disparate parts – found objects and discarded materials (scraps of metal, old wood, rusted bottle caps, dried tumbleweeds) – added a group of sculptures created by Brubaker, and literally transformed the gallery into a “garden.” But what a “garden!” This is only the third site-specific installation organized by the Gallery in its 11-year history – and one not to be missed!

Public Artists, Private Works July 15 – September 16

Since the City of Carlsbad established the Cultural Arts Office in 1985, a number of regional artists have been commissioned to do works for the City’s Art in Public Places program. But artists who create works for public art commissions often create very different types of work in their studios. This show is a rare opportunity to see the private studio work of some of Carlsbad’s public art artists. TJ Dixon and Jim Nelson are well-known for their

impressive figurative bronze sculptures (in Carlsbad, you can see their work at The Crossings golf course and in front of Cole Library), but wait until you see their stunning black-and-white photographic work. Yes, photos. You’ll see these surprises and many more in this exhibition which includes work by Kim Emerson, Raul Guerrero, Paul Hobson, James Hubbell, Ron Juncal, Christopher Lee, Anna O’Cain and Richard Keely, Alber de Matteis, Philipp Scholz Rittermann, Michael Stutz, Sylvia Tidwell, Jim Wilsterman and others.

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Joe Brubaker: *The Exquisite Garden* (left and above)



Philipp Scholz Rittermann, *Stone Bridge & Lumber Barge, Suzhou, Jiangsu Province, China (PRC)* (detail), 2009. From *Public Artists, Private Works*

Fun in the Summertime

Family Open Studios

Saturday, May 19

Saturday, August 18

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. **FREE**

Carlsbad City Library courtyard
1775 Dove Lane

Family Open Studios is our hands-on, art-making event designed for all ages! Here's how it works. First, you'll tour the current exhibition in the William D. Cannon Art Gallery, and then... one of our terrific staff or volunteers will set you up on a specially designed art project related to the exhibition. That's where you take over with your imagination and creativity. Finally, you get to take your completed work of art home, or to the frame shop. All materials and workspace are provided. No reservations required and stay as long as you like!

Art At Jazz

It's not JUST music out there at the TGIF Jazz in the Parks concerts. Don't forget all those folks dancing. And picnicking. And at the second concert at each park, there's Art At Jazz – the fun hands-on, art-making activity for our younger audience members. All materials and workspace are provided, and our talented crew of instructors and volunteers are always there to assist.

Come join in the fun!

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. FREE

July 6 Stagecoach Park

July 27 Poinsettia Park

August 17 Calavera Hills Park

2012 Summer Arts Camps

Registration is now in full swing for our summer arts camps! The Cultural Arts Office summer camps offer children ages 7 to 13 a unique opportunity to explore their interests in visual art, music, theatre and nature too. Our camp programs teach children life skills such as articulating a vision, learning to solve problems and make decisions, building self-confidence, developing the ability to imagine what might be, and accepting responsibility to complete tasks from start to finish. The camps are designed to stimulate and develop your children's imagination and critical thinking, while refining their cognitive and creative skills. Translation: your kids will learn a bunch of new things – and have tons of fun doing it.

Brochures with full information may be found on our city's website, at both library locations, and at other city locations. You may also visit www.carlsbadca.gov/arts



MorePrograms

Mark Your Calendars Now

2013 Community Arts Grants

Since 1986, the Community Arts Grants program has provided matching funds for arts activities to non-profit organizations, schools and partnerships between artists and community groups. The resulting theatre, music and dance performances, exhibitions, artist demonstrations and workshops, school residencies and special projects all take place in Carlsbad, bringing our community an array of cultural opportunities as participants and audiences. In 2013, \$25,000 is available, split equally between community organizations and school applicants. The 2013 Community Arts Grants process begins August 15 when applications will be available on our website, www.carlsbadca.gov/arts, at the Cultural Arts Office, or mailed upon request. The deadline for submitting grants is Monday, October 29.

A free workshop on the grant process is offered to help potential applicants become successful grantees. This year, the workshop takes place on Thursday, September 27 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Gowland Meeting Room at the Carlsbad City Library complex. Anyone with a cultural project in mind is encouraged to attend and to contact the Arts Office 760- 434-2920 for further information.

North County Celebrity Sonnets

Monday, June 4, 7:30 p.m. Free
Ruby G. Schulman Auditorium
Carlsbad City Library complex

Last June, Carlsbad became the new home of San Diego Shakespeare Society's popular and lively North County Celebrity Sonnets event. Like the Society's downtown version held at the Old Globe each November, the North County edition of Celebrity Sonnets features performers, media personalities and local notables in very personal and entertaining interpretations of the Bard of Avon's 154 timeless poems on love, truth, age and art. Celebrity Sonnets returns to Carlsbad on Monday, June 4 with an all-new line-up of words and music by many of our region's finest Shakespearians – and some recognizable faces from other walks of life in Carlsbad! It's free, thanks to a grant from the Carlsbad Library and Arts Foundation's Robert H. Gartner Cultural Endowment Fund. Your free-will contribution at the door helps the Society produce the annual Student Shakespeare Festival in Balboa Park.

Left: ArtSplash; Right: Carlsbad Community Theatre

Around Town this Fall

There are some great programs and events coming up in September and October in our community, but we want you to know about them now, because we know how BUSY things can get in the Fall... Check out the listed websites for more details about the events and presenting organizations.

The Sound of Sax: How the Saxophone Won the Heart of America's Soul

Special exhibition on display through January 2013
Museum of Making Music
www.museumofmakingmusic.org

Next to Normal

Pulitzer Prize-winning musical
Presented by New Village Arts Theatre
September 8 – 30
www.newvillagearts.org

Carlsbad Music Festival

Contemporary classical music
September 21 – 23
www.carlsbadmusicfestival.org

ArtSplash

Community-wide celebration of the arts focusing on chalk art displays
September 22 – 23
www.carlsbadartsplash.org

Halloween on Elm

Family fun in Carlsbad Village
October 27
www.carlsbadca.gov

Carlsbad Community Theatre

They haven't selected their Fall production yet, but they always do a great job!
www.carlsbadcommunitytheatre.com



Getting Ready for a Great Summer

Gathering prizes for the Opportunity Drawings, ordering tickets and preparing them for the sellers, enlisting new volunteers, designing the 2012 tee shirt... it's a busy time around here, all in preparation for the 2012 TGIF Jazz concert season. Because as everyone knows (at least we hope you do by now!), the Friends of the Arts organize and conduct the TGIF Opportunity Drawings during intermission of each concert. The Drawings not only offer GREAT prizes, they also help the Friends raise money – which they put right back into underwriting the costs of the concerts! In fact, the Friends are a major funder of the TGIF concerts – after the city, of course.

Want to get more involved? We have a number of ways:

Donate to the Opportunity Drawings

There's still time to donate prizes to the Drawings! Gift certificates, discount coupons, gift baskets or other items are a great way to encourage new customers for your business. Whether it's one major prize or nine smaller ones (one for each concert), your donation is valuable. Just call Joanne Cardinal at 760-575-4820 and she can help you structure your donation.

Volunteer at the Concerts

And there's still time to sign up to volunteer at the TGIF Jazz concerts. The Friends are always looking for more volunteers to work on the various jobs at the concerts. If you don't want to sell tickets in the crowd (alongside Bill, Linda, Alan, Patricia, and Eva), we can find something else for you to do – there are all sorts of jobs! You can sell tee shirts, or tear tickets, or sign up new CFA members... It's great fun, and the TGIF volunteer crew is absolutely the BEST bunch of people!! Call the Friends at 760-434-2903 and leave a message.

2012 TGIF Jazz Souvenir Program

The Friends are also very busy helping the Cultural Arts Office staff sell ads for the always beautifully designed TGIF Souvenir Program. The program is free at all the concerts and at various locations around the city, and includes write-ups about each band, information about Cultural Arts Office programs, concert guidelines, great ads with discount coupons and much more. We know many of you keep them year after year – as a "souvenir." And this year, we expect the program to be better than ever – thanks in large part to our wonderful friends at Modern Postcard, a nationally renowned company based right here in Carlsbad. Modern Postcard is printing the program as an in-kind donation and needless to say, we can't thank them enough. This type of generous community partnership is what helps make the TGIF Jazz concerts so special.

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Jack O'Hara (top left) of Pueblo Bonito Oceanfront Resorts & Spas and Doug Clark (below left) of Alaska Airlines with grand prize winners in 2011. Both Pueblo Bonito and Alaska Airlines are major donors to the Opportunity Drawings again in 2012!





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Useful Information

The Cultural Arts Office and the Sculpture Garden are located at 2955 Elmwood, just a few steps north of the Cole Library.

Mailing address: 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, CA 92008
Phone: 760-434-2920
Office hours:
Monday-Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The William D. Cannon Art Gallery and the Ruby G. Schulman Auditorium are located in the Carlsbad City Library complex at 1775 Dove Lane Carlsbad, CA 92011

Gallery hours:
Tuesday - Saturday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Phone: 760-602-2021

For up-to-date information about Arts Office programs, call the Arts Info Line: 760-434-2904 or check us out on the city's website: www.carlsbadca.gov/arts

Shuttle Info for Poinsettia Park

Please note a major change this year in parking and shuttle service for Poinsettia Park. For the 2012 season, the ONLY shuttle parking site for Poinsettia Park concerts will be at North Coast Calvary Chapel (NCCC) at 1330 Poinsettia Lane, Carlsbad. There will be NO shuttle service or parking at Legoland, and NO shuttle service from Pacific Rim School (although you can still park at the school and walk to the park).

To reach NCCC's parking lot:

From I-5, take exit 45 for Poinsettia Lane and go east toward Aviara Parkway. Turn left at Aviara Parkway, and then take the first right onto Camino De Las Ondas, which leads you into NCCC's parking lot.

From El Camino Real, take Cassia Road, going west. Cassia ends and becomes Poinsettia Lane. Continue west on Poinsettia Lane and take a right into the NCCC parking lot, just after Brigantine Drive.

Here's Ruby modeling the 2012 TGIF shirt.

Want more guidance? For additional printable directions, go to www.carlsbadca.gov/arts

For internet mapping, use NCCC's address: 1330 Poinsettia Lane, Carlsbad, 92011.

And thanks to our good friends at North Coast Calvary Chapel!

